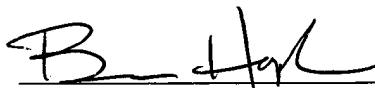


REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct the patent serial number of the co-pending U.S. Patent application filed August 28, 2002. No new matter has been added.

Applicant believes no fee is due for filing the Preliminary Amendment, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. **50-0311** (Reference No. 18405-127).

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